Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 02 Dec 2020 until 23:59 on Thursday 03 Dec 2020

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 02 Dec 2020 at 03:59 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for cold conditions on Wednesday and Thursday. High for changeable conditions to continue into the weekend although low confidence for detail.

Headline for Wednesday 02 Dec 2020: Windy with occasional snow showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 02 Dec 2020

Blizzards
Medium Likelihood

Heavy Snow
Low Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Light snow showers	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow showers (night)	Heavy snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability					
60%	30%	50%	50%	50%	50%

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Weather: Clear or sunny intervals and occasional showers of snow or hail, some of the showers will be heavy with a low risk of thunder. Showers will be most frequent and heaviest across the west of the area, fewer showers expected northeast of Aviemore.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70%. Cloud lowering to 600 metres in showers, this may well be quite frequent across the west of the region as showers run through. Best of the cloud free summits in the east.

Visibility: Often very poor in showers and low cloud. Excellent visibility outside of showers, best breaks in northeast.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	36/47 W	31/39 W	31/43 SW	31/42 SW	30/42 SW	26/38 SW	25/35 SW
900	31/36 SW	27/33 SW	26/36 SW	27/36 SW	26/35 SW	25/34 SW	22/30 SW
600	18/24 SW	18/24 SW	18/27 SW	19/29 SW	18/27 SW	17/28 SW	16/26 SW
300	8/22 SW	8/20 SW	11/25 SW	12/26 SW	11/24 SW	11/25 SW	10/23 SW
Glen	3/19 SW	4/20 SW	6/20 SW	5/21 SW	5/19 SW	5/20 SW	5/18 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-2/-12	-4/-13	-5/-14	-6/-16	-6/-16	-6/-16	-7/-17
900	1/-7	-1/-9	-2/-10	-3/-11	-3/-11	-3/-12	-4/-12
600	3/-2	1/-4	1/-5	-0/-7	-1/-7	-1/-7	-2/-8
300	4/1	3/-1	3/-2	2/-3	1/-4	0/-4	-0/-5
Glen	4/3	3/0	3/0	3/-1	1/-2	1/-3	-0/-4
Freezing Level*	900m	700m	600m	500m	400m	300m	200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Be prepared for some poor winter weather even at modest altitudes across the west, with the freezing level lowering further in the afternoon. East faring best given some shelter from the heaviest showers.

Forecast for Thursday 03 Dec 2020

Weather: Occasional snow showers at first in the west of the area, these dying out through the morning. Otherwise it will be dry with some sunshine, best of the sunshine in the north. Chance that low cloud may become persistent across the south of the area in the afternoon for a time.

Maximum wind: Southeasterly 15 mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Cloud lowering to 600 metres in snow showers, and may well be persistent across the south of the area in the afternoon, low confidence in this aspect. Best chance of cloud free tops expected in the north.

Visibility: Poor in any snow, otherwise generally good

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 3 rising to plus 3 Celsius
At 800m: Minus 3 Celsius
Freezing level: 400 metres

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